Shaw al

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventors:

Donaldson et al.

Examiner:

Alanko, A

Serial No:

10/643,290

Group Art Unit:

1765

Filing Date: 8/19/03

Confirmation No:

4035

Title:

Slotted Substrates and Methods and Systems for Forming Same

To:

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

PO Box 1450

10

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

From:

Hewlett-Packard Development Company, L.P.

Intellectual Property Administration

P.O. Box 272400

15

Fort Collins, Colorado 80527-2400

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This communication is in response to the Office Action dated 12/15/04, 20 for which a three-month shortened statutory period for response is set for 3/15/05. Please amend the above-identified application in accordance with the directions set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected on the list of claims which begins on page 2 of this communication.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this communication. 25

Page 1 of 13

03/03/2005 RHOLLAND 00000995 082025

16643290

PAGE 3/15 * RCVD AT 2/24/2005 5:31:20 PM [Eastern Standard Time] * SVR:USPTO-EFXRF-1/1 * DNIS:8729306 * CSID:509 323 8979 * DURATION (mm-ss):03-34

01 FC:1202

59.60 DA

02 FC:1201

200.00 DA